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FM AMEMBASSY BUENOS AIRES
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TAGS: EAGR, ETRD

SUBJECT: SUGAR: MEETING OF LATIN AMERICAN PRODUCERS

REF: STATE 206804

1. ARGENTINE FOREIGN MINISTRY (FM) REPORTS THAT SUBJECT MEETING HELD IN LIMA, PERU, REPEAT LIMA NOT BUENOS AIRES. ATTENDEES INCLUDED MOST OF THOSE AT FIRST LIMA CONFERENCE, HELD PRIOR TO PUERTO PLATA CONFERENCE.

2. ALLEGEDLY, MEETING CONCENTRATED ON ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS SUCH AS BUDGET AND STATUTES FOR LATIN AMERICAN SUGAR PRODUCERS AND ON AGENDA FOR SEPTEMBER 28TH MEETING. NO SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES WERE RAISED AS THIS WAS NOT THE PURPOSE OF THE MEETING. VERY LITTLE AGREEMENT WAS REACHED ON SUBJECTS DISCUSSED.

3. DURING COURSE OF EMBASSY'S CONSULTATION WITH FM OFFICIALS ON THIS SUBJECT, THEY EXPRESSED GREAT INTEREST IN US DECISION TO PARTICIPATE IN INTERNATIONAL SUGAR AGREEMENT AS OUTLINED IN SECRETARY KISSINGER'S SPEECH AND ASKED EMBASSY FOR FURTHER DETAILS. THEY ALSO EXPRESSED INTEREST IN CONFIRMATION OF REPORT THAT US EXPORTERS WERE NEGOTIATING LONG TERM AGREEMENTS

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WITH BRAZIL AND AUSTRALIA. FINALLY, EMBASSY WAS ASKED FOR ANY

AVAILABLE ESTIMATES OF PERCENTAGE OF US SUGAR MARKET SHARE
TO BE SUPPLIED BY US PRODUCERS OF CORN SYRUP AT GIVEN SUGAR
AND CORN PRICE LEVELS.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: AS FM HAS BEEN MOST COOPERATIVE IN
FURNISHING US INFORMATION ON ACTIVITIES OF LA SUGAR PRODUCERS,
WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT'S PROVIDING AS MUCH INFORMATION
ON ABOVE AS AVAILABLE.

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